

September 29, 2020

Council Chambers
Vigo County Annex
Terre Haute, Indiana

Roll Call:

Present: Brad Anderson, Judy Anderson and Brendan Kearns

Others Present: County Attorney Michael Wright, Auditor James Bramble, Tammy York-Allen, , Kevin Gardner, Kylissa Miller, Stacey Todd, Nancy Allsup and Norm Loudermilk.

Pledge of Allegiance.

President Brad Anderson called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He then turned the meeting over to County Attorney Michael Wright.

Consideration of Award from Community Development Fund – Reach Services, Inc. – Vigo County Commissioners. County Attorney Michael Wright stated that the first item on the agenda concerned the consideration of an award from the Community Development Appropriation. The Council has provided an appropriation for the Commissioners' consideration. The Community Development Fund has been used to fund community-minded projects in our community such as assisting the City with their pool situation. This fund was set up in that mindset. Reach Services, Inc. is in the process of establishing a day center for our homeless community. This project would establish disadvantaged members with a stable environment, a place to receive mail, keep a list of service providers who could assist these individuals and provide a roof and walls to protect them from the elements. It has been discussed that this is a project worthy of investment from the Community Development Appropriation and \$20,000.00 has been proposed to be contributed toward assistance with this project. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve this action. Judy Anderson seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote, the motion carried by a vote of 3-0. Council Administrator Kylissa Miller asked for clarification of what fund this was coming from. It will be coming out of EDIT, Account 33351.

Confirmation of Burn Ban through October 2, 2020 – Vigo County Commissioners. The next matter is a confirmation that an emergency burn ban had been implemented this past weekend that is set to expire at midnight on October 2. There was a lengthy discussion about whether or not to extend the expiration of this ban because there had been no substantial rain at this point. It was decided that they would confirm the emergency ban that was currently in effect and would extend the burn ban to October 9 or until there is confirmation from the EMA that they are comfortable with it being lifted. A new ban will be prepared reflecting the October 9 date. Judy Anderson made a motion to confirm the emergency ban now in effect and to extend the ban by one week to October 9, or upon confirmation from the EMA that they are comfortable with the ban being lifted. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote, the motion carried by a vote of 3-0.

Review of Minutes/Claims. Auditor James Bramble presented regular meeting minutes for September 22, 2020 for approval. Judy Anderson moved to approve the minutes. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote, the motion carried by a vote of 3-0.

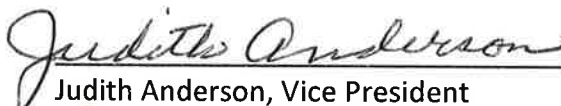
Auditor James Bramble then presented the Board with expenditures for the period of September 19, 2020 through September 25, 2020 in the amount of \$1,449,581.99. Brendan Kearns moved to approve the claims. Judy Anderson seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote, the motion carried by a vote of 3-0.

Comment from Commissioners or other Vigo County Representatives. Vigo County Assessor Kevin Gardner asked how to respond to questions their office was receiving about the reopening of the building to the public since the Governor's announcement last week. Brad Anderson advised that they were in discussion with the Courts and the Health Department as to how to implement this safely. A decision has not yet been made but will be soon. Even though the Governor had advised that it was safe to resume reopening within proper safety guidelines, each county had to decide what was best for their particular situation. The safety of the employees and keeping the departments/offices operational was a major consideration. One person turning up positive could effectively shut down an entire department. For some time, the building has been, and continues to be, open by appointment only and that is working out very well. Business is booming. A decision will be forthcoming soon regarding reopening fully and the various departments will be notified and the information released to the public.

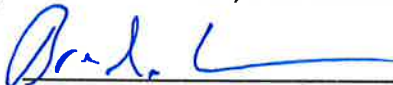
There being no further business, it is now ordered the Board be adjourned at 9:24 a.m.



Brad Anderson, President

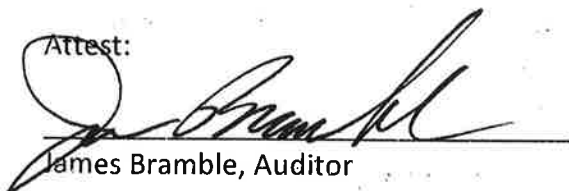


Judith Anderson, Vice President



Brendan Kearns, Secretary

Attest:


James Bramble, Auditor